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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of: ) **CONFIRMATION NO.: 8742**  
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**Osamu TANAKA** )  
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U.S. Serial No.: 10/541,379 ) **Group Art Unit: 2125**  
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Filed: July 6, 2005 ) **Examiner: UNKNOWN**

For: **PROCESS SYSTEM, PROCESS METHOD AND COMPUTER READABLE STORAGE  
MEDIUM AND COMPUTER PROGRAM**

**STATUS INQUIRY**


Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant asks to be informed of the status of this patent application. In response to the Notification of Insufficient Fees dated November 9, 2005, Applicant filed a Response on November 23, 2005 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Applicant has not received from the USPTO any communication concerning this case since receipt of the Notification, dated March 5, 2007, that vacated the erroneous Notification of Insufficient Fees.

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